

that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The hearing will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this oversight hearing is to examine the role of water use efficiency and its impact on energy use.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150, or by email to Meagan\_Gins@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Sara Tucker at (202) 224-6224 or Meagan Gins at (202) 224-0883.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a roundtable to discuss "Medicare Physician Payments: Perspectives from Physicians."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing titled "The Future of Homeland Security: Evolving and Emerging Threats."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Impact on Competition of Exclusion Orders to Enforce Standard-Essential Patents."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Judicial Nominations."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### RAOUL WALLENBERG CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 3001, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3001) to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, without any intervening action or debate, and any related statements be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3001) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### VETERAN SKILLS TO JOBS ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 4155, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4155) to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any related statements be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 4155) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2012

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 12; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that the majority leader be recognized and the first hour be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the majority controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, this evening the majority leader filed cloture on the Landrieu substitute and the underlying Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act. As a result, the filing deadline for amendments to the Landrieu substitute amendment and to S. 2237 is 1 p.m. tomorrow.

Unless an agreement is reached, the cloture votes will be on Friday. We hope we can come to an agreement to have them tomorrow.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:03 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, July 12, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

##### NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

DOROTHY KOSINSKI, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2016, VICE RICARDO QUINONES, TERM EXPIRED.

##### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DAWN M. LIBERI, OF FLORIDA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF BURUNDI.

STEPHEN D. MULL, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND.

WALTER NORTH, OF WASHINGTON, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS AND AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU.

##### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

##### To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. DAVID R. HOGG

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

##### To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOYCE L. STEVENS

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

##### To be brigadier general

COL. KYLE E. GORKEE

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

##### To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOHN L. GRONSKI

##### IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF ADMIRAL IN THE UNITED STATES

NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601 AND TITLE 42, U.S.C., SECTION 7158:

TO BE DIRECTOR, NAVAL NUCLEAR PROPULSION PROGRAM

*To be admiral*

VICE ADM. JOHN M. RICHARDSON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

*To be vice admiral*

REAR ADM. DAVID A. DUNAWAY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

JOEL A. AHLGRIM  
ZACHARY M. ALEXANDER  
DAVID A. BARROWS  
DAVID A. BESACHIO  
JONATHAN BESCHLOSS  
KENNETH O. BONAPARTE  
BRANDON J. BRYANT  
NATALIE R. BURMAN  
JOSEPH R. CARNEY  
LEO A. CARNEY  
ROBERT J. CANTENTER III  
JERRY W. CHANDLER II  
THOMAS L. CHUNG  
SHAWN S. CLAUSEN  
DANIEL E. COOPER  
JANINE R. DANKO  
SOPHIA E. DEBEN  
MICHAEL L. DEVAN  
ANDREW P. DOAN  
JOHN D. DUERDEN  
CHRISTOPHER A. DUPLESSIS  
MARILISA G. ELROD  
JILL E. EMERICK  
CHRISTIN M. B. FOSTER  
STEPHEN L. FOSTER  
DANIEL W. GABIER  
THOMAS Q. GALLAGHER  
TODD A. GARDNER  
STEVEN J. GAUERKE  
JON C. GIACOMAN  
JOSE E. GOMEZ  
CARLOS E. GOMEZSANCHEZ  
ISAAC GOODING  
THOMAS R. GRANT  
ELIZABETH A. GRASMUCK  
JOY A. GREER  
ERICA S. GROGAN  
PETER M. HAMMER  
RYAN J. HARRIS  
JESSICA M. HAYFORD  
JUSTIN W. HELL  
JASON W. HOLLENSBE  
EWELL M. HOLLENS  
ARLENE J. HUDSON  
DAVID C. JANNOTTA  
ANTHONY W. KELLER  
ROLAND S. KENT  
MIN K. KIM  
LEO T. KROONEN  
CORRY J. KUCIK  
RYAN D. LAMOND  
DUANE M. LAWRENCE  
FERNANDO F. LEYVA  
ANDREW H. LIN  
ROBERT A. LIOTTA  
MICHELLE F. LIU  
JASON J. LUKAS  
STEVEN R. MAIER  
DEBRA A. MANNING  
CHAD Y. MAO  
MATTHEW J. MARCUSON  
JEFFREY S. MARTENS  
GREGORY S. MCNABB  
ALEX R. MINTER  
EMORI A. MOORE  
CHRISTOPHER J. NEAL  
BRIAN G. NORWOOD  
TIMOTHY R. OELTMANN  
TAWAKALITU O. OSENI  
JAMES K. PALMA  
GREGORY A. PATE  
GERALD W. PLATT  
OBIE M. POWELL  
STEVEN P. PRASKE  
BRYAN D. PROPPES  
ELIZABETH T. REEVES  
KRISTIE A. ROBSON  
CORBY D. ROPP  
KAREN B. RUSSELL  
VICTOR L. RUTERBUSCH  
PATCHO N. SANTIAGO  
JOEL M. SCHOFER  
JASON W. SCHROEDER  
CYNTHIA M. SCHULTZ  
PETER J. SEBENY  
JOHN H. SEOK  
BRADLEY A. SERWER  
WILLIAM W. SHIELDS  
JEFFREY W. SINGLEY  
LEAH K. SOLEY  
SCOTT A. SPARKS  
SEAN P. STROUP  
MICHAEL A. SULLIVAN  
MATTHEW J. SWIBER

STEPHEN S. TANTAMA  
CHRISTOPHER R. TATRO  
JOHN C. VENTURA  
ERIK P. VOOGD  
RUSTIN C. WALTERS  
DIRK A. WARREN  
JOHN B. WEATHERWAX  
DAVID A. WEIS  
TIMOTHY M. WIMMER  
CAROLYN A. WINNINGHAM  
STACEY Q. WOLFE  
MARK L. WOODBRIDGE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

JOHN E. BISSELL  
ROBERT P. BOLTON  
CYNTHIA CHINH  
RONNIE M. CITRO  
HARRY R. COLE, JR.  
CHRISTOPHER M. HAMLIN  
MATTHEW B. B. MILLER  
ROBERT H. MINER  
JOHVIN PERRY  
SEPEHR RAJAEI  
ALEXANDER ROYZENBLAT  
HOWARD K. VANNESS  
RASHA H. WELCH  
SABINA S. YUN  
STEPHEN S. YUNE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

ROBERT L. ANDERSON II  
BRENNAN S. AUTRY  
DEBRA L. BAKER  
CHRISTOPHER T. BLAIR  
GORDON R. BLIGHTON  
WILLIE J. BROWN  
GERALD F. BURKE  
STEPHEN A. CHAPMAN  
SERGIO CHAVEZ  
MATTHEW C. DOAN  
MICHAEL O. ENRIQUEZ  
WILLIAM E. GRADY  
MICHAEL J. GRANDE  
DARRYL E. GREEN  
RONA D. GREEN  
GARY C. GROTHE, JR.  
MATTHEW J. HOLCOMB  
WILLIAM R. HOWARD  
THOMAS D. JENKINS  
FRANCA R. JONES  
WILLIAM E. KELLY  
JASON T. LEWIS  
KATHRYN T. LINDSEY  
NILO M. LLAGAS  
CHRISTOPHER J. MALDARELLA  
ANDREW L. MARTIN  
WILLIAM J. PLUMMER III  
DONNA POULIN  
JAMES C. QUICK III  
ROBERT C. RAWLEIGH  
JEFFREY J. REPASS  
DUNELEY A. ROCHINO  
RONALD L. SCHOONOVER  
THAD J. SHARP  
MICHAEL D. SMITH  
DANIELLE M. WOOTEN  
CAROL B. ZWIEBACH

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

MARC S. BREWEN  
HUGH BURKE  
ARTHUR L. GASTON III  
STACIA J. GAWRONSKI  
CHRISTOPHER J. GREER  
MATTHEW B. KUREK  
JOAN M. MALIK  
KIMBERLEY B. MCCANN  
KEVIN W. MESSER  
MARK P. NEVITT  
HEATHER D. PARTRIDGE  
STEPHEN C. REYES  
ANGELA C. RONGOTES  
JEFFREY A. SUTTON  
DUSTIN E. WALLACE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

LUCELINA B. BADURA  
LAURIE E. BASABE  
SHELLY B. BENFIELD  
CHERIE L. BLANK  
SUSANNE E. BLANKENBAKER  
JOHANNA M. BRENNER  
WILLIAM H. BROOKS  
CHAWN T. BROWN  
JENNIFER J. BUCHEL  
JENNY S. BURKETT  
KEVIN J. BURNS  
WILLIAM S. BYERS  
CARLIN A. CALLAWAY  
SANTIAGO B. CAMANO  
BRIAN E. CARMAN

MICHELLE N. CARR  
JASEN P. CHRISTENSEN  
DANIEL W. CLARK  
NATHANIEL R. CLARK  
JULIE A. CONRARDY  
WENDY A. COOK  
PATRICIA L. CRELLER  
JULIE A. DARLING  
DANIEL A. DAURORA  
JOSEPH L. DESAMERO  
AMY L. DRAYTON  
KENNETH N. DUBROWSKI  
JASON B. ELLIS  
ALISON E. FAITH  
RONALD A. FANCHER  
MIKE T. FINCKBONE  
PATRICK J. FITZPATRICK  
JOSE D. FLORES  
FLEMING L. FRENCH  
MICHELLE A. FRENCH  
KATHRYN A. GARNER  
TRACEY R. GILES  
CARL W. GOFORTH  
JOSEPH A. GOMEZ  
MATTHEW J. GRASER  
ERIC C. GRYN  
RHONDA O. HINDS  
SHARON L. HOUSE  
DIANA L. HOWELL  
JEFFREY L. HUFF  
BOBBY J. HURT  
TRACY R. ISAAC  
MARC E. JASEK  
SHAWN B. KASE  
MARIE J. KELLEY  
SHAUNA R. KINGHOLLIS  
KATHRYN J. KRAUSE  
MARK R. LANG  
RACHEL M. LEWIS  
DAVID M. LOSHBAUGH  
ANGELO P. LUCERO  
JOSEPH A. MARCANTEL  
ABIGAIL E. MARTER  
FREDORA A. MCRAE  
JENNIFER A. MILLS  
CHRISTOPHER P. NILES  
SALEE J. P. OBOZA  
RONNIE G. OKIALDA  
CHRISTINE C. PALARCA  
MARY K. PARKER  
ELISABET PRIETO  
ROBERT B. PROPPES  
KEVIN G. QUINN  
SARA E. SHAFFER  
KIM P. SHAUGHNESSY  
PATRICK S. SHUSTER  
LISA M. SNYDER  
DARRYL B. SOL  
TIMOTHY K. STACKS  
PAULINE M. STAJNER  
WENDY L. STONE  
MAVIS R. THOMAS  
PAUL S. VILLARE  
PHILIP D. VOYER  
MICHELE A. WAARA  
PAMELA H. WALL  
MICHELLE E. WEDDLE  
GERARD J. WHITE  
WILLIAM W. WIEGMANN  
FRANCISCO I. WONPAT  
HEATHER G. WYCKOFF  
WILLIAM A. YOUNG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

JASON W. ADAMS  
STERLEN D. BARNES  
ROMEO O. BAUTISTA  
STEVEN E. BOYCOURT  
ARCANGELO P. DELLANNO  
PAUL W. DEMEYER  
JOHN H. HAMILTON IV  
MICHAEL D. KRISMAN  
ANDREW J. LEWIS  
RYAN D. LOOKABILL  
BRIAN W. MAXWELL  
JOHN G. MONTINOLA  
ERIK R. NALEY  
ERNAN S. OBELLOS  
JOEL P. PITEL  
JEREMY C. POWELL  
ANDRE T. SADOWSKI  
MARTIN C. THOMAS  
ANGELA S. S. TORRES  
SHAWN M. TRIGGS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

DAVID L. CLINE  
BRUCE W. CROUTERFIELD  
ROY E. HOFFMAN  
JOHN T. JOHNS  
ROBERT L. JONES, JR.  
ERIK P. LEE  
EMORY C. LUSSI  
LEROY G. MACK III  
HAGAN R. MCCLELLAN, JR.  
GABRIEL MENSAR  
PATRICK A. NIEMEYER  
SANTIAGO RODRIGUEZ  
RYAN R. RUPE

BETH A. STALLINGA  
MARK A. TANIS  
MICHAEL L. TOMLINSON  
PAUL S. TREMBLAY  
BRIAN D. WEIGELT  
TEDDY L. WILLIAMS, JR.  
DAVID S. YANG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT  
TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY  
UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

*To be commander*

EMILY Z. ALLEN

JAY A. BIESZKE  
DEANNA S. CARPENTER  
MICHAEL W. CHUCRAN  
GARY W. DOSS  
RICHARD A. FICARELLI  
ANA I. FRANCO  
JOSEPH D. HARDER III  
RANDALL E. HARMEYER  
MICHAEL A. JAMES  
RONALD J. JENKINS  
CHAD C. KOSTER  
PHILLIP M. LAVALLEE  
WALTER S. LUDWIG

THOMAS J. LYONS III  
EDWARD B. MILLER IV  
MICHAEL K. OBEIRNE  
JEFFREY M. PFEIL  
JOSEPH C. POPE  
JEFFREY W. SHERWOOD  
JENNIFER L. TETATZIN  
ROBERT G. TETREAULT  
MARK I. TIPTON  
DUDE L. UNDERWOOD  
JONATHAN P. WITHAM